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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: MILI, PINS, PO

SUBJ: AIRCRAFT DISAPPEARANCE

1. ANTONIO LUIS CASTRO AZEVEDO SOARES, GENERAL DIRECTOR OF CABORA BASSA HYDRO ELECTRIC COMPLEX DEPARTED CABORA BASSA DAM IN MOZAMBIQUE AN 100 KILOMETER FLIGHT AUGUST 31 AND HAS NOT BEEN HEARD FROM SINCE. OFFICIAL MOZAMBIKAN EXPLANATION IS THAT AIRCRAFT APPARENTLY CRASHED, ALTHOUGH NO WRECKAGE HAS BEEN FOUND. SUBJECT'S FAMILY HAS CLOSE PERSONAL TIES WITH PORTUGUESE FOREIGN MINISTER BUT FONMIN UNABLE TO GLEAN FURTHER INFORMATION ON AZEVEDO SOARES' FATE. SOARES'S BROTHER IS FLAG SECRETARY TO NAVY CHIEF OF STAFF SOUTO CRUZ. BROTHER, A FRIENDLY AND HELPFUL NAVATT CONTACT, ASKED IF US HAS ANY INFO ON CASE.

2. BROTHER STATES FAMILY SUSPICION THAT AIRCRAFT, A PIPER AZTEC BELONGING TO TAT, WAS INADVERTENTLY SHOT DOWN BY FRELIMO FORCES, WHO ARE NOW COVERING UP INCIDENT TO AVOID EMBARRASSMENT.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: REQUEST ADDRESSEES INFORM EMBASSY LISBON OF ANY INFORMATION ON THIS CASE.

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